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Subject: Microsoft Settlement (it is a joke)

Sirs,

The proposed anti-trust settlement with microsoft is, as far as I can ascertain,
a joke. The terms are so vague as to be completely ineffective. The harshest
penalty possible appears (to my reading) to be:
"You were bad. Since you were bad, we're going to watch you longer
to see if you are bad some more".

As for the terms, I was able to come up ways to completely
nullify/circumvent
a couple of them with only a few minutes of thought. And that's without
being
an attorney.

Personally, I believe a much more effective way to halt Microsoft's
continued
traditional predatory behavior is to break them up, into a minimum of three
groups,
and to put chinese walls between them.

Regards,

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